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## SEE WEDNESDAY'S REPUBLIC FOR LEADING MERCHANTS' MIDWEEK BARGAINS

### MRS. U. S. GRANT DIES AT WASHINGTON

Widow of the Late President Succumbs to Heart Disease With Complications.

### DAUGHTER AT THE BEDSIDE.

Three Sons Who Had Been Summoned Did Not Arrive in Time for the End.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Mrs. U. S. Grant, wife of President Grant, died at her residence in this city at 11:17 o'clock to-night. Death was due to heart disease. Mrs. Grant having suffered for some years from salivary disease of the heart, which was aggravated by a severe attack of bronchitis. Her age exceeded her failing from the attack.

Her daughter, Nellie Grant Sartoris, was the only one of her children with her at the time of her death. Her three sons, who had been summoned here, are all out of the city. Mrs. Julia Dent Grant was born in White Haven, Mass., in 1828. Her father was Frederick Dent, a judge, who, when court was not in session, conducted his law firm just west of St. Louis. Her eldest brother was a classmate of General Grant at West Point, and it was through him she first met the man she afterward married.

STORY OF COURTSHIP.—Romantic and charming stories are told of the courtship of these two young persons, one of the most admired young women of her country, the other a military student of brilliant attainments. Judge Dent opposed the match for a long time, but his discouragements did not lessen the persistence of U. S. Grant, nor diminish the ardor of his daughter.

The two young persons carried on their courtship despite the efforts of Judge Dent to stop it, and at length he consented. One of the most exciting incidents of the courtship occurred during the summer preceding the marriage, and proved to Judge Dent that the young man who sought the hand of his daughter was made of the proper stuff.

The two young people were horseback riding near the Dent farm. The water was high in the river, and the danger of riding close to the banks was many. While riding side by side close to the river bank, the search watch horse began to snort, and Miss Grant, slipping from her horse, fell dangerously near to the edge of the bank.

Just as she fell, with great peril to herself, she saw her horse gallop toward her, and she fell into the water. She was rescued by a neighbor, and the horses were taken care of themselves, which they did very poorly.

Many other incidents less exciting, but interesting have been told of the explorations of these two young lovers. Their marriage was a leading event in the region where the Dents lived.

During the early part of the civil war, Mrs. Grant and her children passed the time at the home of Judge Dent, near St. Louis, and the house of General Grant's father at Fabius, Ky.

HUSBAND BECOMES HERO.—When the fall of Vicksburg was proclaimed throughout the country she was in St. Louis. Her husband was the cavalry hero. His name was on the lips of every one. In the South as well as in the North. And the story which he carried for himself was that of a man who was made the subject of an opinion quite as enthusiastic as any that was ever rendered a woman. A multitude of officers of the metropolis of the Southland gathered about the hotel where she was living. They cheered her husband on his name as he walked through all the city's streets.

### LEADING TOPICS TO-DAY'S REPUBLIC

THE SUN RISES THIS MORNING AT 7:12 AND SETS THIS EVENING AT 4:29. THE MOON RISES THIS EVENING AT 6:41.

### WEATHER INDICATIONS.

For Missouri—Snow in northwest; rain in southwest Monday; Tuesday fair.

For Illinois—Snow Monday; Tuesday fair.

For Arkansas—Rain Monday; Tuesday fair.

For Eastern Texas—Rain and colder Monday; Tuesday fair.

For Western Texas—Fair Monday; warmer Tuesday.

1. Pacific Cable Landed at Last.

2. Francis Replies to Newspaper Charges.

3. Mrs. Grant Dies at Washington.

4. Commerce President to Pontius Pilate.

5. Lorimer Now After Senate Organization.

6. Senator Gallinger Scores Doctor Keen.

7. St. Louis Bookmakers at Crescent City.

8. Little Folks Write to Santa Claus.

9. Editorial Stage News and Notes.

10. Uncle Sam Plays Santa Claus for Old Soldier.

11. Eight Bunch Defendants Will Be Called to Trial.

12. Trying to Procure Repeal of Convict Labor Law.

13. Republic "Want" Advertisements.

14. River Side News.

15. Sermons and Services at the Churches.

### ALLIED CRUISERS DESTROY VENEZUELAN FORTRESS DESPITE AMERICAN CONSUL'S PLEA.

